P & C MOVIE NIGHT
I would like to thank our wonderful P & C members for organising a wonderful community event. It was a nice warm evening with great entertainment, an array of delicious food and good company. Thank you to all our amazing bakers and everyone who supported the event. The next P & C meeting will be on Monday at 6:15pm in the 5 / 6 room. Anyone interested in joining a committee regarding our school’s strategic directions for the next 3 years, are welcome to attend a meeting at 5:45 prior to the P & C meeting. Please let the office know if you would like to be part of this important process for our school.

KINDER ORIENTATION, L3 & BEST START
Our 2015 Kindergarten students enjoyed their 2nd orientation session this morning and will participate in the 3rd session on Monday 3rd November. On Monday our new Kindergarten will share the morning with their new 2015 Year 6 buddies. It should be a very exciting day. Everyone who has a child in Kindergarten or Year 1 in 2015 and beyond, might like to join Kindergarten Teacher, Lorraine McKenzie and L3 trainer, Kaylene Henry, for a short but informative session on the Literacy, Language and Learning (L3) program, which is being implemented this year and next. The talk will be held in the library from 9 to 9:45am on Friday 7th November. Anyone interested in finding out more is welcome, however we ask that you return the RSVP in this newsletter to provide us with definite numbers for the event.

2015 Kindergarten parents will also be provided with a schedule for Best Start assessment. This is a nation-wide assessment program that enables the school to find out what knowledge and skills your child brings to school to ensure we cater for their strengths and areas for development. These will be conducted in the first week. Further information will be sent home next week.

SWIMMING HELPERS
Thank you to all the parents who have offered to assist with our intensive swimming scheme. We still require another 3 parents. This is a huge commitment and we greatly appreciate those people who are able to donate their time to support this essential program.

Michelle Slee
Relieving Principal

SCHOOL CALENDAR

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| Friday 31 October
  •  Assembly K and 3/4 | Monday 3 November
  •  Kinder Orientation
  •  Interrelate - Years 5/6
  •  P & C meeting | Monday 10 November
  •  Kinder Orientation | Monday – Friday
  •  Intensive Swimming every day from 10.30am |
| Tuesday 4 November
  •  Water Lab –Years 5/6 | Tuesday 11 November
  •  Remembrance Day Ceremony | |
| Friday 7 November
  •  L3 talk for parents | Friday 14 November
  •  Student Assembly – 1/2 | |
Student assembly

Our next assembly is tomorrow, Friday 31st October, at 2.15pm in the school hall. Kindergarten and the 3/4 class will be presenting items. All families are welcome to attend.

SMS Alerts

We are going to trial SMS alerts to parents for the remainder of the school year. We will only use this for cancellations (e.g. sporting event) and friendly reminders regarding consent/permissions outstanding.
To set this up we need current mobile phone contact details for families.

Could you please complete the form being sent home with students today and return by 14 November? I have also taken this opportunity to confirm/update email addresses for newsletter distribution.

Volunteers Needed for Swimming Program

With the whole school participating in the Intensive Swimming Program in November, we are looking for parents to assist with swim classes at the Alstonville Pool. We will require at least 3 parents each day.
The program runs from Monday 17th to Friday 28th November and the classes start at 10.30 and finish at 11.15. If you are able to assist, could you please contact the office with dates that you are available?

Water Lab

Our Stage 3 Water lab excursion is on Tuesday morning 4th November. The bus departs from Clunes School at 9am and should return in time for lunch.

Interrelate

Year 5 and 6 students are currently participating in the Interrelate programs Minding Me and Moving into the Teen Years. Students from Eltham PS are also involved. The final sessions are on Monday 3rd November.

Notes Due

Intensive Swimming (K-6) Wed. 12 November
Email and Mobile Details Friday 14 November

Upcoming events for Term 4*

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* dates are correct at the time of publishing

P & C Update

The next P & C meeting is on Monday 3rd November in the 5/6 classroom starting at 6.15pm. All parents invited to attend.

COOSH News

Whoa has it been hot! Our COOSH kids this week have been arriving up at the hall looking a bit hot and bothered, so we have been mindful to ensure that they have big drinks of water, opportunities to rest on comfy pillows and a break from the sun for an hour or so. This has allowed us time to be creative before the students head back out to the playground; making wild and wonderful spin paintings, spooky glow in the dark mobiles and delicious Vietnamese rice paper rolls. Lately there has been a renewed focus on providing the students with choice, and a range of stations are set up each afternoon to engage a variety of meaningful learning opportunities. To give an indication, this week the children have had access to books, Lego, drawing, card games, dress ups, a café set up, badminton, stilts, whiteboards, handballs, billy karts, roller skates, puzzles, twister and toy cars. It’s been loud, messy and above all fun! The COOSH Team
CLUNES CHRISTMAS MARKET

Are you crafty? Do you bake? Do you have old wares, books, clothing, jewellery, handbags, toys or anything else hand-made, fair trade or in good second hand order that you would like to sell?

If so, you may be interested in being a stall holder at the first ever CLUNES CHRISTMAS MARKET, to be held on Saturday 29th November 2014 at the CLUNES OLD SCHOOL SITE.

There will be live music, delicious food, superb coffee, a fabulous atmosphere and maybe even a jumping castle.

Don’t miss this opportunity to get in at grass roots level to what may be a monthly market held in the beautiful village of Clunes.

For more information please contact Lisa 66291767 or Shannon 0423730273

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New!!!

Storytime with Dad

Starting Saturday 16 November
10.00 am - 10.30 am

Running fortnightly

For preschoolers with a male carer

On the ground floor of the Lismore Library

The Lismore Library is happy to present Storytime for children and their Dads, Grandads and male caregivers. The free Saturday sessions are a fun opportunity for men to spend time with their children, reading stories, making craft and playing with Duplo.

Sessions are free
No bookings required

For information phone Michael at the Library on 6621464

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Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre Open Day

A fun event for all ages!

Sunday, 9 November 2014 9am-2pm

- Tours of our new Materials Recovery Facility (MRF)
- Guided walks of Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens
- Interactive performances by The Greenhouse
- Sausage sizzle
- Competitions and prizes

Join the recycling revolution and learn about saving waste for a better future.

Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre
313 Wyallah Road, East Lismore.

Please note: The facility will not be accepting plastics under recycling on this day.

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Jullums Open Day

WHERE: Jullums Aboriginal Medical Service
51 Uralba Street Lismore

WHEN: Monday 17 November 2014

TIME: 11am – 2pm

Come along and enjoy a BBQ feed of Kangaroo and sausages, dancers, traditional games, children’s dental check, win prizes. face painting, Aboriginal busker Billy Smith

COME AND MEET THE TEAM
The Rivers Secondary College and Rivers P-12 Learning Community

School's newsletters

Working parties in the areas of Student Wellbeing, Transition, Curriculum and Professional Learning have formed and have commenced to meet and work through their plans for implementing The Rivers Strategic Plan. Each working party has teacher membership from the secondary schools, as well as Lismore town and out of town schools.

The Rivers Council, a significant advisory group, is scheduled to have its first meeting on Wednesday 5 November. This advisory group will provide two way communications with the wider community within and around Lismore. The Rivers Council has representatives from the P&C association, Lismore City Council, TAFE, Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG), The Lismore Chamber of Commerce, staff from schools, The NSW Teachers Federation, and students. Planning continues to develop the concept of a high quality Rivers Musical for 2015. I will write further as this concept develops, but I can report that there is significant support for this idea as a K-12 initiative.

The Rivers Public Speaking Grand Final was on this week at the Lismore City Hall and I was very excited to witness the high quality that was on show. I congratulate each student that participated in this wonderful opportunity. Thank you to all of the organising teachers for providing such a pathway for our future public speakers to further develop their skills and confidence in such a way.

Travel arrangements for the more than 65 Year 11 students during 2015 to access cross campus courses are now finalised. Buses and taxis will ensure that these students will be moved safely and on time for their chosen subjects.

I can be contacted via Kadina High Campus on 0266 243133 or via john.william.baker@det.nsw.edu.au

John Baker  Executive Principal  The Rivers Secondary College

Strategic Directions Committee

There will be a Strategic Directions Committee meeting on Monday 3rd November at 5.45pm in the 5/6 classroom prior to the P & C meeting. We will be discussing the school’s strategic direction for the next 3 years.

If you would like to be involved in this important process, please complete the below and return to school by Monday.

☐ Yes, I would like to attend the committee meeting.

Child’s name ____________________________

Parent’s name ____________________________

L3 Information Session Friday 7/10/2014

Parents of Kindergarten 2014 and Kindergarten 2015, Lorraine McKenzie and Kaylene Henry will be presenting a short session on the L3 Program (Literacy, Language and Learning) on Friday 7 November at 9.00am in the Library.

The L3 program is currently implemented in the Kindergarten class and will be across Kindergarten and Year 1 in 2015.

If you are interested in attending please complete below and return to school by Thursday 6th November.

Child’s name ____________________________

Parent’s name ____________________________